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RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

BOX NON-FEE AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

December 15, 2003

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 15, 2003, ("Action") for the above-identified patent application, please amend the claims as indicated and consider the remarks below.

The sections included in this response are as follows:

Amendments to the Claims begin on **page 2** of this paper;

A Remarks section begins on **page 5** of this paper; and

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